

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An electronic advertisement receiving apparatus for a user receiving advertisement information supplied from an advertiser comprising:

5 electronic advertisement receiving means for receiving an electronic advertisement including said advertisement information converted into electronic information;

presenting means for presenting to said user said advertisement information of said electronic advertisement received by said electronic advertisement receiving means; and

10 presentation informing means for informing said advertiser of presentation information representing that said advertisement information of said electronic advertisement has been presented by said presenting means.

2. The electronic advertisement receiving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said electronic advertisement further includes identifying information for uniquely identifying the electronic advertisement, and

5 said electronic advertisement receiving apparatus further comprises: electronic advertisement storing means for storing at least one said electronic advertisement received by said electronic advertisement receiving means; and

10 electronic advertisement storage control means for storing said electronic advertisement received by said electronic advertisement receiving means, when said identifying information does not match said identifying information of each of said at least one electronic advertisement stored in said electronic advertisement storing means, in said electronic advertisement storing means.

3. The electronic advertisement receiving apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising presentation information output means for

outputting said presentation information to said user, wherein

5       said presentation information includes benefit information  
representing benefits supplied from said advertiser to said user in return for  
presentation of said advertisement information of corresponding said  
electronic advertisement.

4. The electronic advertisement receiving apparatus according to  
claim 3, wherein

5       said benefits are updated according to the number of times or a time  
period said advertisement information of said corresponding electronic  
advertisement is presented.

5. The electronic advertisement receiving apparatus according to  
claim 3, wherein

5       said electronic advertisement further includes procedure  
information representing a procedure for generating said presentation  
information while updating said benefits, and

10       said electronic advertisement receiving apparatus further comprises  
presentation information generating means for generating said presentation  
information while updating said benefits according to said procedure  
information of said electronic advertisement received by said electronic  
advertisement receiving means.

6. An electronic advertisement confirming apparatus for an  
advertiser comprising:

5       electronic advertisement supply means for supplying to a user an  
electronic advertisement including advertisement information converted  
into electronic information;

10       presentation information receiving means for receiving from said  
user supplied with said electronic advertisement from said electronic  
advertisement supply means presentation information representing that  
said advertisement information of said electronic advertisement has been  
presented to said user; and

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presentation information output means for outputting said presentation information received by said presentation information receiving means.

7. The electronic advertisement confirming apparatus according to claim 6, further comprising validity confirming means for confirming validity of said presentation information received by said presentation information receiving means, wherein

5       said presentation information includes benefit information representing benefits supplied from said advertiser to said user in return for presentation of said advertisement information of corresponding said electronic advertisement.

8. The electronic advertisement confirming apparatus according to claim 7, further comprising:

5       presentation information storing means for storing for each said user said presentation information with validity confirmed by said validity confirming means; and

10       analyzed electronic advertisement supply means for analyzing for each said user said advertisement information corresponding to said presentation information stored in said presentation information storing means to supply to said user via said electronic advertisement supply means said electronic advertisement corresponding to said advertisement information having contents reflecting the analysis.

9. The electronic advertisement confirming apparatus according to claim 8, wherein

5       a plurality of said electronic advertisements corresponding to said advertisement information having the same contents are supplied to different said users and further include respective pieces of identifying information for uniquely identifying said electronic advertisements, and

      said pieces of identifying information corresponding to respective pieces of presentation information stored in said presentation information

storing means are different from each other.

10. An electronic advertisement supply system comprising an electronic advertisement distribution apparatus distributing an electronic advertisement including advertisement information corresponding to an advertiser, said advertisement information converted into electronic  
5 information, and comprising an electronic advertisement receiving apparatus receiving said electronic advertisement and presenting said electronic advertisement to a user,

said electronic advertisement distribution apparatus including electronic advertisement transmitting means for transmitting said  
10 electronic advertisement corresponding to said advertisement information requested by said advertiser to be distributed, said electronic advertisement transmitted together with an identifier for uniquely identifying said electronic advertisement, and

said electronic advertisement receiving apparatus including  
15 response data transmitting means for generating, when said electronic advertisement is transmitted from said electronic advertisement transmitting means and received, response data representing reception of said electronic advertisement based on said identifier received together with said received electronic advertisement and transmitting the generated  
20 response data to said electronic advertisement distribution apparatus.

11. The electronic advertisement supply system according to claim 10, wherein

said electronic advertisement distribution apparatus further includes

5 response data receiving means for receiving said response data transmitted from said response data transmitting means and

distribution ending means calculating the number of distributed electronic advertisements based on said response data received by said response data receiving means for ending distribution of said electronic  
10 advertisements when the calculated number reaches a predetermined

number.

12. The electronic advertisement supply system according to claim 10, wherein

said electronic advertisement distribution apparatus distributes said electronic advertisement to a limited area.

13. The electronic advertisement supply system according to claim 10, further comprising an electronic advertisement confirming apparatus for said advertiser, wherein

5       said electronic advertisement confirming apparatus includes  
      electronic advertisement distribution request means for requesting  
      said electronic advertisement distribution apparatus to distribute said  
      electronic advertisement,

10       presentation information receiving means for receiving from said  
      user receiving said distributed electronic advertisement presentation  
      information representing presentation of said electronic advertisement to  
      the user, and

      presentation information output means for outputting said  
      presentation information received by said presentation information  
      receiving means.

14. The electronic advertisement supply system according to claim 13, wherein

5       said electronic advertisement confirming apparatus further includes  
      presentation information storing means for storing for each said user said  
      presentation information received by said presentation information  
      receiving means, and

10       said advertisement information corresponding to said presentation  
      information stored in said presentation information storing means is  
      analyzed for each user and said electronic advertisement corresponding to  
      said advertisement information having contents reflecting the analysis is  
      distributed to the user via said electronic advertisement distribution request

means.

15. The electronic advertisement supply system according to claim 13, wherein

5       said presentation information includes benefit information representing benefits supplied from said advertiser to said user in return for presentation of said advertisement information of corresponding said electronic advertisement.